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ROCKLYN.

Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Clugston spent Sunday at the home of Mr. D. McIntosh, Riverdale.

The regular monthly meeting of the W.M.S. of the Methodist Church was held at the home of Mrs. John Yeardell on Thursday last. A special meeting of the Society and all others interested in helping the needy had been called for this Monday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Geo. Crabtree, president of the society. The object of the meeting is to supply money and clothing for the children of the unemployed in Toronto. This is a worthy work and we hope our untarnished roads and weather may permit of a large turnout.

A number of our young people were disappointed, the roads having turned out so badly Thursday as to prevent their attending the box social at Van-leur that evening.

Upon returning from a visit to her mother, Mrs. Clark, Collingwood, Mrs. A. S. Cook was among the G. T. R. passengers who were blockaded at Thornbury over Sunday. While in Thornbury she was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Clark.

Mrs. A. N. Hartley is suffering from a severe attack of la grippe.

Mr. Dodson's sale of household goods takes place to-day (Monday) at the Lorne House.

HARKAWAY.

Mr and Mrs R Hannah, of Proton, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. R Johnston last week.

Mr. S. MacLeod, of Springhill, was a caller in our burg last week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Longhead and Miss Leona, of Brooke, are holidaying at Mr. Hawken's at present.

Messrs. Wm. Wiley and A. O. Rae accompanied Mr. R. Wiley to the G. and M. Hospital, Owen Sound, last week, when Dr. Ego, of Markdale, and Dr. Dow, of Owen Sound, performed a successful operation for fistula. Mr. Wiley will be confined to the hospital for some time, but from latest accounts he was doing as well as could be expected. His many friends hope to hear of his speedy recovery. Mr. and Mrs. T. Neely and children, of Berkeley, are visiting the latter's sisters, Mrs. J. Murdoch and Mrs. R. Lyons, of this place.

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For Better Education.

Mr. T. H. Preston advocated in his speech in the Legislature that Educational matters be pushed a little more in the province. "The majority of children practically left school at ten years of age and in two thirds of the province the Trunancy law was a dead letter. The Department of Education should take charge of the Trunancy law and perhaps appoint special officers for illiterate children in cities. There should be compulsory night schools. Every government is willing to keep abreast of public opinion in Educational matters, and it is one of the hopeful signs that the province is willing to receive more advanced legislation. It would be desirable if children were compelled to remain in school until they were fourteen years of age. The aid for Continuation Classes might still be further increased. The finished product of our public schools does not stand very high intellectually and apparently the vast majority of children lay aside their books as soon as they leave school. Continuation Classes alone can solve this problem.

Law Reform.

The world moves slowly—but it moves. One of the most important measures that has been outlined in a policy is the proposal to reform and simplify legal procedure. Litigation is a long and costly process, and the man with the longest purse is likely to win. But should the intention of the present Government become law, as there is every hope it will, there will be one Court of Appeal for the Province, with the provision that the decision of this court will be final except in constitutional questions, or those in which the construction or application of a statute of Canada is involved, or when the action is between a resident of Ontario and a non-resident. Appeal to the Privy Council may be abolished and we feel inclined to say, seeing the Privy Council is suspected of making some lamentable blunders—as in the "Scottish Church Case"—we had better do all our business in Canada. The Hon. A. G. McKay has advocated many of the afore mentioned principles, and it is not probable there will be opposition to the proposed measure.

Salute Your Bride.

There was printed in the Ladies' Home Journal for February a page of amusing incidents at weddings. The following was taken from that page and actually occurred in Clinton, says the New Era. The ceremony was performed in the Ontario Street Methodist parsonage by the late Rev. Mr. Edge, and the article was published in the New Era at the time:

I was pastor at the time in one of the Canadian towns, and they came from the rural districts of the same province. They wanted to be married in the parsonage and I had asked a few friends "as witnesses." The lady was apparently about twenty-three years of age, fairly comely and self-possessed, and the prospective groom was about twenty-one, though he looked more like seventeen. The ceremony went off without incident, the vows had been exchanged and the unalterable pronouncement had been made. There remained but that they should seal their union with the customary kiss. I therefore said in low tones intended exclusively for the couple, "Salute your bride." They stared at me in mingled astonishment and interrogation. I tried them again and, stepping toward them, I said in confidential tones, "Salute your bride." They evidently grasped my meaning now, and determined that, if they were a little slow at comprehending me, they would show me they were quick to obey. They turned their faces toward each other, backing away at the same time with a graceful bow, and receding with rhythmic step and elastic movement characteristic of the quadrille. Forward they came again before I grasped the situation, advancing with the same springy, dancing movement, and were just reaching out their arms to "swing" each other when I rushed to the rescue of the reputation of my home.

DIED AT 110 YEARS.

The Last of the Glenelg Negro Colony has Passed Over to the Great Majority.

Henry Clayburn, a colored man, who ran away from slavery in 1842 at the age of forty-five years, died on Tuesday, the 4th inst., at Williamsford, and on account of the storm interment was prevented until Monday last when the remains were laid to rest at the Rocky burying ground. The deceased was the last of a number of negroes who left Virginia at the same time and settled as a colony in the townships of Glenelg and Bentinck about a mile north of Rocky Saugeen, four miles north of this town. He was the first settler in the township of Glenelg, and by his death the oldest settler now living in the township is Mrs. Nathan Dunsmore, who came in 1843 when the Hunter family first settled. The next oldest resident pioneer is Mr. James Edge who settled in 1844. Mr. Clayburn claimed to be born in 1796, but some of the older settlers think he was about two years younger, that is 110 at the time of his death. Mr. Edge, who knew him since 1844, has very little doubt of his being 112 years as Clayburn himself claimed. Mr. Nathan Dunsmore, who lived beside him for sixty years, regarded him as a good neighbor, and his opinion is borne out by all who knew him as such. He was fond of fishing and trapping, and seemed contented and happy when he had enough to eat and wear. He was always at home telling stories of the slavery days. Only two or three years ago he was a familiar figure in this town, but since 1904, when he moved to Williamsford, he has not been around. He leaves no relatives.—Durham Chronicle.

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Practical Philanthropy.

Last Thursday night the Hon. J. W. Hanna, provincial Secretary of Ontario, addressed the Borden Club in Toronto and he told them the story of how the Mercer Refuge for Girls had been abolished and the girls given a chance to live good lives surrounded by good influences in comfortable homes. The substance of Mr. Hanna's story is this: "In 1905 he had found 75 or 80 girls in the refuge kept behind bars, their self-respect was ground out. He decided to distribute them. Homes were secured as far as possible from their former environment, and gradually homes had been found for all. They were given 'a chance,' and they were making good." "Letters began to come in," said the Provincial Secretary, "and they are on file, and I tell you they are the best reading in the Parliament Buildings."

"I find myself in a home for the first time," a girl wrote, "with people who are to me as a father and mother. I write to thank you for the opportunity you have given me."

"For many years past the average number in the refuge was 75, costing \$400 a head, and with no return. All the girls placed out are followed up at a cost of \$8 a head. But this is not the only thing. Out of the 130 girls all are filling decent positions in homes that are glad to have them, with about a dozen exceptions. These were cases of girls mentally weak, who were being treated in the asylums. Six or seven of the others are married, and the experiment has been a complete success. The former refuge has been fitted as an adjunct to the asylum, and affords accommodation of the best kind for about 100 patients.

It is pleasant to read of such excellent management of a public institution and we may depend upon it that the Whitney Government, which has accomplished such good work with the Mercer Refuge may be safely trusted to accomplish some very practical good in its management of the Central Prison. The coming session will witness the presentation of a good plan for the reform of the Central Prison.

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Report of Dr. A. Ego.

House of Refuge Physician Makes Annual Report to County Council on the Health of the Inmates at This Institution during 1907.

To Municipal Council of County of Grey:

Gentlemen,—I have the honor to submit to you the 1907 Report as Physician to the House of Refuge. As usual there has been a good share of ailments, an illness among the decrepit and aged of this institution. Fortunately we have escaped epidemics, except the epidemic of la grippe in early part of the year. We had a close call with the smallpox, during the outbreak of this disease which visited Markdale last Spring. The hired man at the House of Refuge contracted the disease, but by having him quickly removed, and thoroughly disinfected all parts of the house which could be infected by him, we escaped any further cases. We have to thank the authorities in Owen Sound who very thoughtfully sent us down a share of the Spiritus Frumenti, which they confiscated under Local Option Bylaw. We fully realize the task they would have getting these goods away from Owen Sound. In cases of sickness here among the aged, we will make it serve a useful end, and I have every confidence that the present Manager will guard against the old folks getting too much.

I think the Council acted very wisely in guarding closely against any further cases of Pulmonary tuberculosis, or other contagious diseases being sent to the Institution.

During the past year there have been thirteen deaths among the inmates. The following are the deceased with ages, etc.:

- Hester Purdy—Died January 6th, age 50, cause of death Perniciosa Anemia.
Margaret McLean—Died February 3rd, age 83, cause of death Pneumonia.
Edward Hughes—Died February 21st, age 75, cause of death Apoplexy.
Robert Smith—Died April 6th, age 84, cause of death Enteritis.
Elizabeth Saunders—Died April 13th, age 86, cause of death Bronchitis.
Alex. Anderson—Died April 24th, age 78, cause of death Acute Bronchitis and Asthma.
Frank Foster—Died April 29th, age 75, cause of death Cerebral Haemorrhage.
Christopher Venette—Died May 16th, aged 87, cause of death Anemia and Old Age.
Ann Graham—Died May 23, age 81, cause of death Heart Disease.
James Carlton—Died June 10, age 86, cause of death Old Age, heart's weakness hastening crisis.
Alice Johnson—Died June 25, age 83, cause of death Rheumatism and Heart Disease.
Edward Black—Died November 16, age 73, cause of death Broncho Pneumonia.
Isabella Carson—Died November 18, age 97, cause of death Old Age, stomach giving out.

The average age of death of these thirteen is 81 years, and leaving out the one who died of Perniciosa Anemia, aged 50 years, the average age of the other twelve is over 82. As most of these people lived in humble circumstances many years before they entered the House of Refuge, the ages they attain would seem to show that the absence of business worry, the abstinence from luxuries, and a plain diet are not inconducive to longevity.

I have honor to be, Gentlemen, Your Obedient Servant, ANGUS EGO, M. B. Markdale, January 27, 1908.

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Standard Arrears.

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Mr. Godfrey McDevitt, an an-emia but has a better.

Miss Annie McMillan and Mr. McMillan are home from Dr. McMillan's attending the Local Legislature in session.

Miss Maggie Anderson has her sister, Mrs. A. Nichol, Dr. McMillan's Mr. J. S. Black.

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